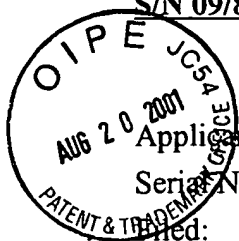


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Applicants assume the application is now in proper order and in condition for examination. Please direct any inquiries to the undersigned attorney at (612) 373-6951.

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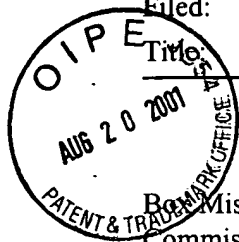
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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$1,483.00 to cover the Basic Filing Fee and Additional Claims Fee.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the Extension of Time Fee.
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time (1 pg.)
- ☒ Communication Re: Missing Parts (1 pg.)
- ☒ A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney (5 pgs.).
- ☒ Notice to File Missing Parts (1pg.)
- ☒ Communication Re: Corrected Application Papers (1 pg.)
- ☒ Formal Drawings (36 pgs.).

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.27.

It is not provided for in a separate paper filed herewith, please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional required fees or credit overpayment to Dep sit Account No. 19-0743.

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$1128.
 - \$648 for 72 total claims over 20.
 - \$480 for 12 independent claims over 3.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1548.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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